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For: LOW SURFACE ENERGY TEMPLATES

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

The following information is submitted in compliance with Applicants' duty of disclosure and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, § 1.97 and § 1.98. The undersigned brings the patents, publications, applications or other information identified in the attached **Form PTO/SB/08A** and/or **Form PTO/SB/08B** to the Examiner's attention in the above-identified application. It is respectfully requested that the cited information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and the references be made of record therein and appear among the "references cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

a. *Information Disclosure Statement Filed February 3, 2006*

Applicants note that on an Information Disclosure Statement ("*IDS1*") filed on or about February 3, 2006 and received by the United States Patent and Trademark Office ("*USPTO*") on or about February 6, 2006, references J16 and J17 ("*REFS1*") were crossed off. Further, Applicants note that on *IDS1* proximate to *REFS1*, the words "NOT PUBLIC" appear. To that end, Applicants assume *REFS1* were crossed off for allegedly containing serial numbers of United States patent applications filed with the USPTO.

Referring to 37 CFR § 1.98(a) it is stated "[a]ny information disclosure statement filed under [37 CFR] § 1.97 shall include...[a] list of all patents, publications, **applications** [emphasis added], or other information submitted for consideration by the Office."

Further, referring to 37 CFR §1.98(b)(3) it is stated “[e]ach **U.S. application** [emphasis added] listed in an information disclosure statement must be identified by the inventor, application number, and filing date.”

To that end, Applicants respectfully contend that REFS1 comport with the requirements of 37 CFR § 1.98(b)(3). Applicants submit herewith a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (“*SUPP IDS*”) having REFS1 listed thereon. More specifically, references J16 and J17 are cited as references M5 and M6 of SUPP IDS1 respectively.

b. *Information Disclosure Statement filed September 6, 2005*

Applicants note that on an Information Disclosure Statement (“*IDS2*”) filed on or about September 6, 2005 and received by the USPTO on or about September 8, 2005, references I51-I55, and I73 (“*REFS2*”) were crossed off. Further, Applicants note that on *IDS2* proximate to REFS2, the words “NOT PUBLIC” appear. To that end, Applicants assume REFS2 were crossed off for allegedly containing serial numbers of United States patent applications filed with the USPTO.

Referring to 37 CFR § 1.98(a) it is stated “[a]ny information disclosure statement filed under [37 CFR] § 1.97 shall include...[a] list of all patents, publications, **applications** [emphasis added], or other information submitted for consideration by the Office.” Further, referring to 37 CFR §1.98(b)(3) it is stated “[e]ach **U.S. application** [emphasis added] listed in an information disclosure statement must be identified by the inventor, application number, and filing date.”

To that end, Applicants respectfully contend that REFS2 comport with the requirements of 37 CFR § 1.98(b)(3). Applicants submit herewith the SUPP IDS having REFS2 listed thereon. More specifically, references I51-I53 and I55 are cited as reference M1-M3 and M4 of SUPP IDS1, respectively, now United States patent application publications; and references I54 and I73 of *IDS2* are cited as references M7 and M8, respectively.

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Respectfully Submitted,

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